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Mr. V. T. ARASU:—" May I know why the Government have not taken any steps to close down the breaches and repair the Athiyadi eri?"

The hon. Sir ARCHIBALD CAMPBELL:—" In the answer it is stated that steps are being taken to close the breaches."

Mr. V. T. ARASU:—" I want to know why the Government have not taken any steps from 1919 onwards?"

The hon. Sir ARCHIBALD CAMPBELL:—" I must ask for notice."

Irrigational possibilities of the Karuvadu odai in the Udayarpalaiyam taluk.

* 231 *Q.*—Mr. V. T. ARASU: Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government are aware of the fact that there is in the eastern half of the Udayarpalaiyam taluk, Trichinopoly district, a jungle stream that is popularly known as the *Karuvadu odai*; and

(*b*) whether at any time the Government have investigated into the possibility of utilizing the waters of that stream for irrigation purposes?

A.—(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The proposal was considered last year in connexion with the improvements to Athiyadi eri and extension of irrigation under it but was dropped owing to the estimated return being inadequate.

Mr. V. T. ARASU:—" May I know whether the Government will be pleased to direct the Revenue Divisional Officer to conduct a detailed investigation of this project and submit a report to the Government?"

The hon. Sir ARCHIBALD CAMPBELL:—" No, Sir."

Mr. V. T. ARASU:—" May I know whether the Government are aware of the fact that, if this project is undertaken, it would irrigate about 600 or 700 acres in the Udaiyarpalaiyam taluk?"

The hon. Sir ARCHIBALD CAMPBELL:—" I must ask for notice of the question."

Land Revenue Administration

Representation from the old Tanjore Delta Mirasidars' Association regarding income per acre of wet land.

* 232 *Q.*—Mr. A. Pl. N. V. NADIMUTHU PILLAI: Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have received from the old Tanjore Delta Mirasidars' Association tabular statements showing the income per acre of wet land in the Tanjore district based upon the Settlement Officer's own report and whether they would place on the Council table a copy of their representations to the Government; and

(*b*) whether the price of paddy is less than what it was last year?